

Application No. 09/731,506
Applicants: Albert Erdrich et al.
Amendment in Response to Office Action dated September 30, 2003

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of this application in view of the amendments above and the following comments.

Claim 1-4, 17, 30-41, and 49 are pending. Claims 45-48, which were added in an amendment filed on January 26, 2004, have been canceled. It is believed that no new matter has been added.

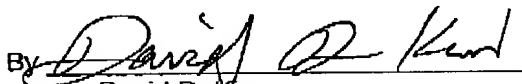
Applicants believe that this application is in condition for immediate allowance. However, should any issue(s) of a minor nature remain, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned at telephone number (212) 808-0700 so that the issue(s) might be promptly resolved.

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Early and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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